

I'm writing in regard to your "Localism" campaign that would give priority to LPFM over current FM translator service. Here in Phoenix our family listens to K-LOVE on 105.5 and AIR1 on 88.7. Should either of these stations be forced off the air it would be tragic loss.

I believe both of these stations provide an invaluable service to the community, particularly the Christian community of any denomination. The programming is positive, uplifting and I believe appealing to a wide range of listeners. We happen to be Catholic; but many of our friends of other faiths also. They provide much information on community events, charitable events, and volunteer opportunities for the local area that is not provided for on the commercially supported, local high power FM stations. In addition they provide information on regional events such as concert tours, conference seminar dates and locations, and speaker appearances on a regional basis that would not otherwise be available.

Both of these stations had and are having a huge impact on my family, especially as we've listened to them as a family since my kids were very young. The positive impact on us can be seen as well in the many families we see at the events we attend as a result of listening to these stations. Their support for family programming and events and other positive community events such as concert tours and such has been huge in the make-up of our local community. Since we've started listening we've noticed many bumper stickers for these stations and many people we've met either listen to them or have come to listen to them.

This type programming is definitely in the public interest. The family support, education segments on parenting, finance and other topics is of great value to anyone. The teen oriented programming on AIR1 has many segments, while maintaining focus on teen appealing music, on issues specific to teens - while not preaching or alienating those of other faiths - I believe.

I ask you to consider managing the "Localism" campaign to allow stations such as K-LOVE and AIR1 to continue broadcasting in our area. As I said in the beginning, their discontinuance would be a tragic loss.